

Town and County News

Gathered in And Around Town By Our Resident And County Reporters.

People are beginning to plow their gardens and get ready for the vegetable season. A bridge is badly needed over the town branch at the west end of town.

The weather was warm enough on Tuesday afternoon to bring out the honey bees.

Use Ballards Obelisk Baking Powder, 25 cts. per lb. can, it is good. Boston & Sons, Agents.

Mr. E. Goodman, of the firm of Lazarus & Co., at Pocahontas, was in town Tuesday.

The high prices demanded by owners of building lots at this place will tend to retard the growth of the town.

Maj. R. R. Henry is at Lebanon attending Russell circuit court, which is now in session.

This has been a fine season for making maple sugar, and a good deal is now being brought to our market.

The wheat fields in Tazewell county are looking unusually well for this season of the year.

Do not allow your system to get weak and debilitated. It is easy to keep well and strong by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

A very handsome brass chandelier, of 12 lights, is now in the Chancel of Stras Memorial Church.

The builders are again busily engaged on the numerous buildings that are being constructed in Tazewell.

Mrs. A. F. Hargrave gave a delightful party to a small number of young ladies and gentlemen on last Monday night.

Mr. Wm. R. Stuart, who has been assistant postmaster at Richlands for several years, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. E. L. Greener went to Backs Garden on last Tuesday afternoon, to engage in a fox hunt with Dr. Peery and other gentlemen of that locality.

Do not fail to attend the Epworth League entertainment at the Town Hall tomorrow night. It will be interesting, and is for a worthy purpose.

Col. Jno. G. Watts is at home again from Russell County, where he spent a week or ten days looking after his agricultural interests in that county.

Miss Kate Kelly, from Gypsum, Smyth county, is visiting her sister, Mrs. William Leece, on Plum Creek, three miles west of town.

Mrs. Williamson, from Russell county, is studying photography under Mr. J. E. Warden. Mrs. Williamson is a sister of Mr. Gas Jansison.

Dr. W. R. Straw will be in Tazewell next week, and will be prepared to treat all diseases of the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, and measure for glasses.

Mr. James D. Harrison, of Liberty Hill, is in the eastern markets purchasing a Spring stock of goods for the firm of J. D. Harrison & Co.

A. P. Gillespie Esq. went to Philadelphia last week on professional business and got back on Sunday. He left for Russell on Monday, where he is attending Court.

Mr. Jno. D. Alexander, of the firm of Chapman & Thompson is now in New York purchasing the Spring Stock for that excellent concern.

Prof. Jas. H. Kelly will have the closing exercises of his school on Stoney Ridge to-morrow. The larger Concert Band, from this place, will furnish music for the occasion.

Walter Hayden, son of Mrs. Virginia Hayden, died at Graham on Tuesday, and was buried yesterday at Concord church, five miles east of this place.

Col. May came very near getting a shot at the eagle which is hovering over his flock of lambs. The eagle is a young one and up to this time has not destroyed any of the lambs.

Messrs A. J. May and H. W. Steele have two hundred and seventy-five fine lambs in their pastures on the south side of town. These lambs came from about 210 ewes. This looks like the sheep business is on a boom.

Rev. S. D. Long, Presiding Elder of the Radford district, came to Tazewell on Tuesday on a brief visit to the editors family. Mr. Long was for two years our pastor at Marion, and is one of the ablest preachers of the Holston Conference.

Rev. Mr. Broyles, of Mississippi, has been appointed by Bishop Galloway to Bland street church, Bluefield, to fill the vacancy created by the appointment of Rev. J. Tyler Frazier Presiding Elder of this district. Mr. Broyles is said to be a very fine preacher.

Mr. W. G. Harrison and his little daughter, Margie, arrived at home last Saturday from Hot Springs, Ark., where they had been for six weeks. Mr. Harrison has been greatly recuperated in health, and his relatives and friends are glad to have him back again in the social and business circles.

Col. H. C. Alderson and Hon. S. C. Graham went to Pocahontas to-day to take depositions in the case of Burgunder Bros.

& Co., and others vs. Hyman and others. The depositions will be taken for the plaintiffs. Col. Alderson represents the plaintiffs, and Judge Graham the defendants.

Col. May has made arrangements with Mr. Jno. B. Crawford, to prepare plans for a handsome new building to be erected on the site of the Colonel's present office building. He intends to build a house with a store room and his office on first floor, and dwelling rooms on second floor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chapman and their little son reached home on Saturday last from Hot Springs, Arkansas. Mr. Chapman has been much benefited by his sojourn at that great health resort, and he and Mrs. Chapman were cordially greeted by their numerous friends in Tazewell.

Bluegrass Lodge No. 142, I. O. O. F. is preparing to order very handsome regalia, which is to be used only when the Lodge appears in public or is conferring degrees.

Tomorrow (Friday) afternoon services will be held at Stras Memorial Church at 5 o'clock.

A series of meetings have been going on in the Christian Church since last Sunday, services being held each night. Since the commencement of these meetings there have been about fifteen immersions and great interest is being manifested in the work. Rev. Campbell, of Tazewell College, is conducting the meetings, assisted by Rev. A. A. Ferguson.

Misses Jessie Smith and Carrie Dunn, of North Tazewell, left on Tuesday afternoon for Roanoke, where they will spend a few days visiting Mrs. Joseph Sturs. Miss Smith will then go to New York and will afterwards visit other points in the east. The party given by Mrs. Hargrave on Monday night was in honor of these young ladies.

The Store of May & Co., at Adria, about six or eight miles north-west of here was destroyed by fire on Monday night. The loss was about \$1,200, there was no insurance. The firm had been talking to Mr. Hurt about insurance, a few days ago, but put it off. This shows the danger of procrastination. We are very sorry the gentlemen were not insured.

Miss Nettie Harry, aunt of Messrs J. E. and William Buchanan, who live near Unaka, died from pneumonia and heart failure on Tuesday morning. She had been ill for about three weeks, but had not sent for a physician until the morning of her death. Dr. Hufford was then called in, but upon his arrival found her in a dying condition. The remains of Miss Harry were buried at the grave-yard at the divide, six miles east of this place.

Rev. Robert Sheffield held services in the Methodist church, at this place, on Tuesday night. The house was filled with an attentive congregation. The Rev. gentleman is eccentric and has his own peculiar notions of theology, but he is full of religion and has been so for more than fifty years. If we truly had our future happiness at heart most of us might be glad to be like Robert Sheffield.

Mr. W. L. Richardson, one of the best men in Smyth County, died at his home, in Rich a Valley, on Wednesday morning the 24th ult., in the seventy first year of his age. Mr. Richardson had been married three times, and was the father of 18 children, a number of whom are living.

Mrs. W. B. Spratt, of Richlands, is his daughter. Some time last December the editor passed a night with Mr. Richardson at his hospitable home, and we then little thought it would be the last time we would meet him on earth.

Japanese Tea.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church will have an entertainment at the Town Hall on tomorrow (Friday) night, which has been designated a Japanese Tea. The entertainment has been gotten up with considerable care and promises to be a pleasant one. An excellent programme of music, recitations and tableaux has been prepared. After the programme has been rendered refreshments will be served. Admission, 25 cts. for adults and 15 cents for children under twelve years. The payment of the admission fee will entitle each person to the refreshments. Doors open at 7.30 o'clock.

Off To Inauguration.

On Monday afternoon the following took the east bound train at this place to attend the inauguration of President McKinley: Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Moore and their two children, Hon. Henry Bowen, Messrs John Barnes, S. C. Farns, James D. Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moss. We understand Hon. W. G. Mustard was to join the party at his railroad station, east of this point.

Lenten Services.

Lenten services began at Stras Memorial Church Wednesday morning, at 11 o'clock, being Ash Wednesday. Hereafter Rev. W. D. Buckner will hold services during the Lenten season on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings, of each week, before the first and third Sundays, at 7.30 o'clock; and Wednesday and Friday afternoons at 5 o'clock. The morning services will last only half an hour.

CEDAR BLUFF ITEMS.

Rev. J. P. Hypes is holding a series of meetings at Steelesburg, but the congregations are mostly Cedar Bluffians.

A large crowd was disappointed last night by the non-appearance of Rev. J. W. Hubbard, who was to have preached at Richlands.

The "Society" of C. B. H. S. has been giving us some very interesting discussions on various topics. The question to be discussed on the 5th is: "Resolved, that there should be an educational qualification on preparation for suffrage." Did you ever?

Miss Lou Kiser was thrown from her horse Sunday evening. Too much lip is the result. She says she'll ride a mule next time.

The moon changes the 3rd, McKinley takes his seat on the 4th, and prosperity dawns on the 5th. Mark it!

A certain man in our town doesn't wish to "bray" on himself at all, but he says he is a terrible courting man when he gets started. We hope the time will not be far off when he will commence, and then we know he'll not lie, if the groundhog did.

Our Presbyterian brother, Rev. Wool gave us some earnest appeals in behalf of bringing the sinners of this community to a Throne of Grace. He preached Thursday Friday, and Saturday, and with the pastor of same church administered the Lord's Supper on Sunday morning. All were glad to have them here.

The Overseer of the poor had four calls last Thursday. Four applications for help is the most he has had in one day yet. He is expecting less work after the 4th, McKinley will give us more bread and meat.

REPORTER.

BURKE'S GARDEN ITEMS.

The Litz lane is not passable, and all who would travel it must turn out and gravel it.

The sick current has somewhat subsided and the farmers are plowing.

Mr. Joe Meek is preparing to erect a large barn. Mr. M. Wynn has the contract.

The first of March has come and with it the general moving of tenants. Every man who now has a cabin has an opportunity to rent it.

The public Schools are now closing. Miss L. E. Mahood's closed last week and Miss J. R. Greener's will close next Friday.

Miss Campbell says: "The Circle will meet at our house."

We forgot to announce the marriage of Mr. Francis Hall to Miss Gullion last week. We hope our friends will excuse us for so grave an offence.

Mr. T. R. Bolling was seen riding towards home Saturday eve., guess he had been to the coal field.

The Lutherans are agitating the parsonage question just now. They can't decide where it shall be built.

Mr. Joe Moss, with his wife and daughter, started for Washington Sunday, where they will attend the inauguration.

The latest news; informed by the old lady rumor we say that Ro neo and Juliet are sparking.

Scriptor.

You Can Be Well

When your blood is pure, rich and nourishing, for nerves and muscles. The blood is the vital fluid, and when it is poor, thin and impure you must either suffer from some distressing disease or you will easily fall a victim to sudden changes exposure, or overwork. Keep your blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla and be well.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pill; assist digestion, cure headache. 25 cents

Resolutions of Respect.

At a stated communication of Key Stone Lodge No. 215 A. F. & A. M. held at their hall at Tip Top, Va., Feb'y.—A. L. 5897—A. D. 1897.

The committee appointed to draft suitable resolutions on the death of Bro. W. W. Wallace, made the following report which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas death has visited our sanctum, and taken from our midst Bro. Wallace, we are not left without hope, as to his future well being, inasmuch as we know him to be a worthy man—an exemplary mason and a christian gentleman.—His character being moulded after the tenets of our order, and his beautiful life after that of his master, feeling deeply the great loss sustained by our Lodge and the Craft in general by the death of such a man—we do now resolve 1st. That we tender to the bereaved widow and her seven children and to the sorrow stricken relations of our beloved brother, our warmest sympathy in their affliction and humbly commit them to God and the word of his grace, in which He has promised to be a husband to the widow and a Father to the Fatherless.

2nd. As a token of our sorrow let us wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days and drape our lodge in mourning for that period.

3rd. That a copy of these resolutions be furnished by the Secretary, under the seal of this Lodge, to the widow of the deceased Brother, and that the Clinch Valley News and Tazewell Republican be requested to publish the same.

J. H. Gillespie,
G. J. McMullin, } Committee.
A. J. Broyles,

STATE NEWS.

Ex-Judge W. W. Crump, for many years one of the leading lawyers of the city of Richmond, died at his home in that city on last Sunday afternoon. He had in his time filled many positions of honor and trust. At one period of the civil war he was assistant Secretary of the Confederate Treasury.

General Wyatt M. Elliott, clerk of the United States Circuit and District courts, at Lynchburg, died in that city on the morning of the 29th instant, after a brief illness. He was born in Campbell county February 25th, 1823, and died on the 74th anniversary of his birthday. Gen. Elliott served his State in many important military and civil positions, and the Commonwealth never had a more honorable and faithful servant.

The Modern Language Association has, by unanimous action of the faculty of the University of Virginia, been invited to meet at the University December, 1898, and will probably accept.

Daniel Bowden, of Chincoteague, killed one hundred and five red head ducks last week, which he sold for \$100. A flock of brandt in full flight struck against Hog Island lighthouse one night last week, about two hundred of them being killed by the collision.

Gibson Smith, a youth of 18, who had lived with his mother at Scuffleburg, near Delaplane, Fauquier county, met with a fatal accident while fox hunting in the foothills of the Blue Ridge on Thursday. In taking a hazardous jump his horse fell, catching him in such a position as to dislocate his neck, producing almost instant death.

A wholesale jail delivery has taken place at Warwick Courthouse.

Senator Arthur A. Herbert, of Princess Anne county, died suddenly while waiting.

Fire at Riverton, Va., did \$5,000 damage to the store of D. C. and R. J. Cone and the Methodist Church.

The steamer Wyanoke, sunk last April by the United States steamship Columbia, in the mouth of the James river, is being raised.

Over 2,000,000 bushels of grain were shipped from Newport News last week, breaking all previous records. Nineteen large ships are now at the News ready to load grain for Europe.

GENERAL NEWS.

The factories of the United States produce 36,000,000 chairs annually. At this rate there ought to be plenty of seats for the inhabitants of the country.

The public debt of the United States government was increased \$1,502,273 during the month of February. McKinley will proceed to devise means for putting an end to such increases, by increasing the revenue of the government.

Andrew Carnegie, the multi-millionaire manufacturer is ill with the pleurisy at Greenwich, Conn.

On the 2nd inst. President Cleveland vetoed the immigration bill just passed by Congress. His message vetoing the bill is the longest of the kind he has ever written. This kills the measure, as it will be impossible for Congress to pass it over the President's veto.

From Our Washington Correspondent.

Washington D. C.

Feb. 27th 1897.

Nothing is talked of here, in the hotels and on the streets but *Pie*. While at present there is only a skirmish line formed; yet, you cannot start in any direction but you will run on the pickets. As soon as Maj. McKinley is installed in the White House next week the battle will commence and the fun will begin. It is not only amusing to hear the pie hunter expatiate on his great efforts for the party but is interesting. He virtually says: that he by his own individual effort is the savior of his party, and but for him there would be no Republican party today. It does not matter as to the amount of *pie* he has guzzled, the more he has had the more he demands. I have come to the conclusion that the disease produced by *Pie* is worse than that produced by rum or wine, and while one may be cured by the Keely method, the *Pie* hunter will only be cured by death. The *Pie* should be large enough to feed several hundred thousand hunters.

As there are from two to twenty aspirants for each piece of *Pie* to be eaten, and only one can put his tooth in it, you can very readily see how hungry they must get before the battle is ended.

And what a happy time the *Pie* dispenser will have trying to feed the hungry mob. If he does he is d—d, if he don't he is d—d. I pity him. He wishes to do the best he can for his friends and his party. He has been elected by their votes, and does not desire to turn the cold shoulder to any one who supported him. But what can he do? He cannot feed all or one fourth of them. If he is a true party man he should dispense his patronage so as to strengthen the party. He has no right to give positions to any one on purely personal grounds. These being political positions they should be given to those who would most likely strengthen the party. But should he adopt this line of policy then comes the mob. Each and every one of the little cross-roads politicians will claim that it was solely due to his exertions that the party was victorious. I can see but one way out of the difficulty that menaces the party in this great struggle for *Pie*, and that is for the different County committees all over the State to make the recommendations. These committees should know who is most deserving and who would give satisfaction to the party, than the member of Congress. And if they will leave out all personal feelings, and make all recommendations with an eye solely to the upbuilding of the party, then the problem might be settled satisfactorily to all concerned, except to the chronic grumbler and the *Pie* hunter.

Every Virginian here is interested in the outcome of the election this Spring. For or Against a constitutional convention. There are many Democrats who are afraid of the results. From all the information I can gather from different sections of the State we will have no convention.

ALPHA.

STRAS MEMORIAL EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Services.

First and Third Sundays of the month at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Holy Communion—First Sunday at 11 a. m.

Sunday school every Sunday at 9.30 a. m.

A hearty welcome is extended to all.

REV. W. D. BUCKNER,

Pastor.

Fine Piano For Sale.

One Fine Five Hundred Dollar Piano for sale. Price \$100. Half cash, balance on easy terms. Apply to W. A. Belew. Tazewell, Va.

Chapman & Thompson.

The claims of this store upon your interest are manifold. In every way possible we have made it a profitable and charming place for the women of this community and vicinity to do their shopping in. No convenience, no comfort, no advantage that might tend to make your visit beneath our roof pleasant has been slighted. Our aim has been to anticipate every reasonable need. How well we have succeeded, we leave for you to say. If a great and constantly growing trade be evidence of public appreciation, we are amply satisfied with your return for the efforts we have made in your behalf.

Some people need explicit enlightenment upon certain matters that are vital to themselves and to us. It is concerning prices that are current at this store. The mistaken idea still exists among a few that because our store is elegant and our qualities fine and our methods dignified that our prices are high. All these conditions

make the reverse actual. It is within the limits of strict truth to say that we are selling dependable merchandise—merchandise that is absolutely guaranteed—for less money than inferior grades are charged for elsewhere. The foregoing statement is more than a mere boast. It is not a general or undemonstrable assertion. Come in and let us convince you. We are business men with clear visions. We are not hankering to lose money. We know positively that the only sustained success is created by an unbroken level of low prices. It would be foolhardy for us to try for your patronage by any other persuasion. A nice store, a nice stock, nice attention and nice everything else would fall far were prices not right. New customers and old ones are telling us every day that our prices ARE RIGHT.

Our Mr. Alexander is in New York today, and his purchases will be in our house next week. We'll have some nobby things for you this season.

Chapman & Thompson.

BUSTON & SONS,
LEADING GROCERS,

TAZEVELL, VIRGINIA.

Evaporated Fruits.

No family table is now complete unless supplied with fruit. We have for our customers a full line of Evaporated Fruits.

Peaches, Apricots, Prunes and Apples.

Our Evaporated Apples, when cooked, are EQUAL TO GREEN FRUIT.

Pickles and Condiments.

At this season of the year many persons need

something to give them a relish for their food, as well as to gratify the taste. We have a standard line of Pickles, Sauces, Catsups, and Mustards. We wish to call especial attention to our

—O: SWEET PICKLE PEACHES:—

in bulk. They are Unequaled in Quality and Reasonable in Price. Don't fail to Try Them.

CRANBERRIES.

A Special Price on Cranberries for the remainder of the season. They are not only used for a healthful and appetizing sauce, but make a most delicious tart, and with proper recipes can be used in many ways.

BUSTON & SONS,
TAZEVELL, - VIRGINIA.

VELVET \$3.6al.

This famous brand is beyond all doubt the finest Rye produced at the price. We guarantee same. 6 full Qts. 4.50 per case.

L. Lazarus & Co.

CAROLINA CORN \$2

A two year old whiskey made in the State that bears its name. Made by old copper still open fire process.

L. Lazarus & Co.

OLD VA. GLADE 2.50

This is a elegant three year old Maryland Rye pronounced by experts to be A. 1.

L. Lazarus & Co.

GEORGIA CORN 1.50

Two years old, copper still by open fire process.

L. Lazarus and Co.

VA. WHITE RYE \$2.

Made in mountains of Virginia. A pleasant, soft and elegant drink.

L. Lazarus and Co.

APPLE BRANDIES

AT \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50, \$3. & \$4.

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Your Money Back.

OUR GOODS GUARANTEED.

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Pocahontas, Va.

Prompt Attention to Mail Orders.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

The government of Japan has decided to adopt a gold standard at a ratio of 32 1/2 to one. The new standard will go into operation in October 1897. Even Japan finds that the silver standard will not do.

Mr. Bryan is showing very bad judgement going over the country and making political speeches just about the time his successful opponent for the Presidency is to be inducted into office. It is an unheard of thing on the part of unsuccessful Presidential candidates.

An immense crowd gathered at the station at Canton to bid J. McKinley good bye when he left for Washington on the 1st inst. Being called upon he made his neighbors a farewell speech. In his remarks he said:

"To all of us the future is a sealed book; but, if I can, by official act, or administration or utterance, in any degree add to the prosperity of our beloved country and the comfort and well-being of our splendid citizenship, I will devote the best and most unselfish efforts of my life.

The assumption of the Chief Magistracy is of such great importance that partisanship cannot believe the judgment or accept any other considerations but for the public good of all to every party and every section."

These are noble, patriotic sentiments, and we have no doubt sincerely expressed. We believe McKinley will be a splendid non-sectional President.

President McKinley was extremely anxious to have a bright, beautiful day for his inauguration. If the weather at Washington was like it is here today his wish has been fully gratified. We trust everything was bright and successful at the inauguration, and the new administration will prove fortunate and fruitful so far as the public interests are concerned.

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